



Nuances

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Submissions

Complete submissions of articles, events or other piano themed features are welcome. All submissions are due by the **21st of each month** to be considered for publication.

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Studio Exchange Teachers

Contact [Gloria Chuang](#), [Denise Taylor](#), or [Debbie Yee](#) if you are interested in being a part of the Studio Exchange Program.

Officer Nominations

President's Message

[June Zeeh](#)

Dear

It's February - one month closer to spring! February is also a month full of exciting piano events in Madison for teachers and students:



February 1 are the auditions for the Honors Festival at Madison Christian Community Church. The Honors Recital is held on February 9, at Morphy Hall.

February 8 is the 20th annual Key Up for Kids Piano Play-a-thon at Barnes & Noble West, organized and conducted by members of MAFOP.

February 16 is the National Federation of Music Clubs' Junior Festival.

March 2 is the registration deadline for the March 16 Young Artist Recital held at St. Mary's Care Center.

I hope that everyone will be able to take advantage of at least one of these wonderful events.

Our next general meeting is on February 11, at Rhapsody Arts in Verona. The topic is "Co-teaching Voice and Piano."

We will elect Officers of the Board for 2014-2015 at the February 11 meeting. E-mail nominations for Vice President or Secretary are accepted before the meeting. E-mail your nominations to: skfregehr@gmail.com. Nominations are not accepted at the meeting.

Here we are springing forward into the New Year - thankful for our students and the gift of music which we can impart to them.

June Zeeh
MAPTA President

[Stacy Fehr Regehr](#)

The proposed slate of Officers of the Board for 2014-2015 is as follows:

President -- June Zeeh
Vice President -- Alena Harrison
Secretary -- Sue Ellen Dubbert
Treasurer -- Debbie Yee

Officer elections will take place at the next general meeting on February 11. Any additional nominations for Vice President or Secretary can be emailed to Stacy Regehr at skfregehr@gmail.com prior to the meeting. No nominations will be accepted from the floor at the meeting.

Program and General Meeting

[Pamela McMullen](#)



All are invited to a program entitled: **Co-Teaching Voice and Piano, with Julie Stalheim and Emily Worzalla**

Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Rhapsody Arts, [1031 North Edge Trail, Verona, WI](#)

MAFOP: 2014 Piano Playathon

[Connie Jones](#)

HURRY, HURRY!

There may still be a few periods of time that will be open just for your students at the 22nd annual Piano Playathon.

February 8
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Barnes & Noble (behind West Towne Mall)
Contact Connie Jones: (email) jajones2@wisc.edu; (phone) 442-8302

All pledges are due no later than Friday, February 28, 2014.
Let's make this a banner year for the American Family Childrens Hospital Child Life Program.

Help keep the arts alive and visible to the public. Please encourage your students and their families to participate in this wonderful experience.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you and to seeing you on the 8th!

Performers Supporting Performers

[Ruth Heinecke](#)

Performers Supporting Performers will meet Tuesday, Feb. 25, 10:00 a.m., at Judy Ferreri's, [3118 Timber Lane, Verona, WI](#).

PSP will present their annual recital on Sunday, March 2, 2:00 p.m., at Capitol Lake's Grand Hall, [333 W. Main Street, Madison](#). Details of the program will appear in next month's Nuances.

Members are invited to share ideas for future MAPTA 2014-2015 monthly Program events.

Is there a musical topic you'd like to know more about? Do you know someone whom you'd enjoy learning from?

The meeting will be held at Heid Music on March 18, from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Bring any ideas and suggestions. Thank you.

Pedals, Pipes & Pizza 2014

[John R. Krueger](#)

Celebrate Spring and the (belated) birthday of Johann Sebastian Bach! On Saturday, March 29, young pianists will have an opportunity to meet the King of Instruments, the pipe organ! This event, entitled Pedals, Pipes & Pizza 2014, is sponsored by the Association of Church Musicians, which includes the Madison Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Pedals, Pipes & Pizza 2014 will begin at 9:00 a.m., at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 1609 University Avenue, Madison (www.firstcongmadison.org). The opening session, led by ACM/AGO members, Linda Krueger and John Krueger, will feature a video from the American Guild of Organists entitled "Pulling Out All the Stops". Then students will be able to see, hear, and play the three-manual Holtkamp pipe organ, installed in 1980. Our host will be ACM/AGO member and Director of Music, Don DeBruin. Students will then travel a few blocks away to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1833 Regent Street, Madison (www.standrews-madison.org). Following a pizza lunch (maybe from Extreme Pizza),



students will have the opportunity to see, hear, and play the Taylor & Boody two-manual pipe organ, installed in 2000. ACM/AGO member Ken Stancer, Director of Music at St. Andrew's, will be our host. We will then travel to St. James Catholic Church (part of Good Shepherd Parish), 1128 St. James Court, Madison (www.goodshepherdmadison.com) and have the opportunity to see, hear, and play the Wadsworth three-manual pipe organ, originally built in 1863. Our host will be ACM/AGO member and Director of Music, Mark Miller. Pedals, Pipes & Pizza 2014 will conclude at 3:00 p.m.

Piano students, ages 9-16 (grades three and up), who would like to take part in Pedals, Pipes & Pizza 2014 can contact John Krueger (phone: 608.249.0679; e-mail: j.krueger@att.net). Registration is required. The deadline for registration is March 22. Click on the links for the [registration form](#) and [detailed schedule](#). Pedals, Pipes & Pizza 2014 (including lunch) is free to all participants. Parents and guardians are welcome and are encouraged to join us. Students are encouraged to bring a piece of piano music to play on the three pipe organs.

General Meeting Minutes 10/8/2013

[Alena Harrison](#)

Minutes of 10/8/2013 General Meeting of Madison Area Piano Teachers Associated (MAPTA)

1. Treasurer's report was read and approved. Assets = \$12,290.
2. PPT (Denise Taylor): Moving forward, about 200 students from 19 studios are participating. Deadline is 10/1 but can make slight changes. Would like ten more students. See Patty or Denise. Patty emailed all teachers - check carefully for spelling and correct pieces. Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. at Mitby

Theatre. Rehearsals 11/10 and 11/16. 11/2 is a special rehearsal at 3 pm for The Chase and Mi A Ou. Meeting Thursday re: rehearsal schedule, will send out. 11/10 - 12-5 at Heid Music, 11/16 - 10-5 at Mitby. All teachers invited to a 10/10 meeting at 11:30 am at Hilldale Mall food court. Will set schedule and assign teacher roles. Email if you can't make the meeting. Teachers are expected to help in some way. Need teachers to usher students at concert. Teacher piece - read Primo parts and Secondo parts assigned per email sent. Teachers will rehearse at mandatory rehearsals.

3. Dinner with Weekly and Argenbright (Denise Taylor): Dutch treat, Fri., Nov. 15, at East Towne Mall - need someone to take over and coordinate. June volunteered to take over and will email them re: moving time earlier.

4. EMR (Denise Taylor) - published first article in October on ragtime, have one volunteer. If have topics, send to Denise.

5. Monster Concert (Renee Farley) - Full in afternoon. Fun chance to play. 9:00-10:30 is free, also 10:45-11:10, and two slots around noon. Contact Connie Jones. At East Towne Barnes & Noble Sat. 10/26.

6. Fall Workshop - Received brochures - Tim Mueller did them. 8:30-2:00 on Nov. 15, at WSMA Center in Waunakee. Extra brochures if needed. Master class - need about four students to perform Weekly and Argenbright duets.

7. Programs (Pamela McMullen) - A couple of things are in progress and not settled. Working on the May brunch, location for April. Will check with Patty, contact Billings for tuning at WSMA.

8. PSP (Ruth Heinecke) - Meet at Sue Ellen Dubert's - moved to home on West Side near Elver Park - Tues. 10/22 at 9:30 a.m. Noted board meeting on 10/22 conflicts with PSP.

9. Nuances (Stacy Regehr) - not there, no report.

10. Publicity - not there, no report.

11. Webmaster (Patty Ladpli) - have not done much for website lately - login still not fixed - wrote to web designer about problem. Other questions re: improving website look: did reach webmaster - website fixed, worked yesterday, needs updating.

12. Honors Festival - no report.

13. Young Artist - no report.

14. Adult music social - Nov. 24, 7 p.m. at Sheri's home. Pieces can be memorized or played with music. Can also attend without playing. Please bring a treat to share.

15. Membership (Linda Johnson) - Updates on Nuances - one minor snafu fixed.

16. Piano composition festival (Shad Wenzlaff) - Sat. 2/15 group class on composing - will facilitate. Contact Shad if have students interested in attending. Teacher must also attend. Will be in afternoon, time not yet set.

Another composer event - more orchestral - working on with Jeff - will submit when have ideas together.

Feb. 15 event will be in Nuances. Will be charging for people outside studio - \$15. Discuss at next Board Meeting.

17. New Business (June Zeeh) - need to appoint nominating committee to find officers of Board for next year. Job of committee is to find a Vice President. Seeking volunteers to chair nominating committee. Must be found by 12/20.

Also need a chair of honorary lifetime membership committee - someone in a long time, not retired. Linda volunteered to find a chair.

Middleton Children's Theatre seeking a pianist - traveling troupe, practices with children to put on performance, must practice with them in evenings in late January - not sure if volunteer or paid - will send information if asked.

Pamela had a question re: the difference between Board and General meetings.

10/22 Board Meeting at 9 a.m. at Heid Music.

Moved to adjourn at 11:07 a.m., adjourned.

Board Meeting Minutes 10/22/2013

[Alena Harrison](#)

Minutes of the MAPTA Board meeting, Tuesday, October 22, 2013 Heid Music, 9:00 a.m.

Members present: June Zeeh, Pamela McMullen, Debbie Yee, Patty Ladpli, Denise Taylor, Linda Johnson

1. The minutes of the previous board meeting were read and approved as read.
2. The Treasurer reported \$837.89 in income from membership dues and a \$500 payment from Julie Chang to be applied toward rental for the Honor's Recital space. That brings our checking total to \$3537.89, and our total assets to \$12,438.58.
3. June Zeeh reported on the Fall Workshop: The budget for the fall workshop is as follows: \$600 Honorarium, \$100 Motel, \$185 to rent WSMA, \$145 piano tuning, \$130 program, \$65 postage to mail the brochure which was nicely done by Tim Mueller. The deadline for registration is this Friday, but there will also be walk-in registration. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, November 15, with our presenters. June Zeeh will reserve a free room at Erin's Snug Irish Pub for that event. There are six MAPTA members signed up so far.
4. Pamela McMullen reported that she is still working on a May Brunch, but nothing is settled for it yet. She would like an assistant, as Helaine is no longer able to help her. She was encouraged to ask someone to help her.
5. Denise Taylor reported on Exploring Music Resources: There has been good feedback from her first article. Greg Hustad will write the next article, perhaps on Federation repertoire. Denise will resume writing the column when PPT is over.
6. Nuances: We discussed what the policy should be for items for sale, especially pianos. Options included having a section at the bottom of Nuances where people could list that they have a piano for sale and give their contact information for anyone interested to call them for details. Linda Johnson will call Stacy and report back with the current policy and any ideas Stacy has at the next meeting.
7. Publicity: Denise Taylor will ask Jeanne Felix to do PPT audience publicity. Perhaps a news station would like to come and film part of our Saturday rehearsal? Linda volunteered to put a PPT poster, with appropriate editing, in her local library. It was mentioned that there are several places that promote area happenings for free, including the Wisconsin State Journal.
8. Patty Ladpli reported on the website: She is finally able to login successfully again. Updating for the current year is not done yet. The board decided that Patty should get an estimate of what it would cost to have the consultant do the updating, especially updating the archives, which is a daunting task. Patty put the rehearsal schedule on the website, which is a big help. Linda Johnson mentioned that Constant Contact needs to be opened for membership again, and Patty said she would do that. Paypal might be able to be used to sign up for the Fall Workshop. Several members felt it would be worth the effort to see it that is available. We discussed extending the registration deadline one week.

June will write a blurb about the Fall Workshop extension of one week. Patty will send that through Constant Contact. Patty was willing to work on getting PayPal.

9. Honors Recital: no report

10. Young Artist Recital: At the October 20 recital there were 12 performers from 2 teachers: Irmgard Bittar and Brian Hagen.

11. Adult Music Social: The next one will be on November 24.

12. Denise Taylor reported on the Piano PlayTogether: 197 students registered at \$20 and 31 students at \$5 for a second piece. Income is \$4195. Expenses are expected to be \$4526, but Denise is working on trimming that down. One item of savings is having Brian Mott tune the pianos for \$800. Also, for the lunch Cynthia Stephen is bringing pots of soup. Only Dallas Weekley will be conducting the dress rehearsal. Kjos is helping to sponsor this event, and will be at the workshop with a table of music to buy. We need one more teacher to step forward to conduct on November 10. Thursday noon the planning committee will meet to create a volunteer schedules, finalize student sheets, make signs, etc. Denise needs more parent volunteers to sit with student performing groups. At the end of the program dismissal will be organized so that families can be reunited easily. Pamela McMullen will bring a baton for conductors to use on November 10. Patty Ladpli will bring a metronome. Shad Wenzlaf is doing the program. Tempos need some tweaking as follows:

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13. Linda Johnson reported that there was one person who tried to join MAPTA as a member online, but he noted that membership was closed. Patty Ladpli said that she would fix that.

A brief discussion ensued relating to UWM wanting to buy our mailing list. It was mentioned that they might just get it by becoming an associate member for \$35. No final decision was reached.

The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m., because members needed to leave, even though several items of new business were not yet addressed.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Johnson, subbing for Alena Harrison, who was absent due to illness